

# *Prohibited Signs*

## **SECTION I, ARTICLE 8.I.7**

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Any sign displaying intermittent or flashing illumination or lights of changing degrees of intensity. However, reader boards may communicate an electronic message provided that the message not changes more than two (2) seconds.

Any sign or advertising device painted on a fence, power or telephone pole, tree, stone or any natural object.

Signs placed or painted on a motor vehicle, trailer, or other object and parked with the primary purpose of providing a sign not otherwise allowed.

Inflatable signs and tethered balloons.

Pennants and fluttering devices

Portable (spider-legged) signs other than the sandwich board signs which are permitted as a temporary sign.



Sumter City /County Planning Commission  
31 N Main Street  
Sumter, SC

## **KNOWING THE RULES FOR**

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### **TEMPORARY SIGNS**

### **BANNERS**

### **FIREWORKS STANDS**

### **CHRISTMAS TREE LOTS**

### **PROHIBITED SIGNS**

As of 11/26/02

## **SECTION I, ARTICLE 8.I.6**

***Temporary Signs***-This is separate from all other sign regulations

Permit- No permit needed: One (1) six (6) square foot free-standing for residential and conservation zoned property.

Permit- No permit needed: One (1) twenty (20) square foot free-standing sign on commercial, industrial and agricultural zones, in lieu of free twenty (20) square foot (maximum thirty-two (32) meeting the following:

- a) Minimum ground clearance is twenty-four (24) inches
- b) Maximum height is ten (10) feet
- c) Wood and metal are the only approved materials
- d) Minimum wood dimension is three-fourth (3/4) inches
- e) All surfaces must be painted or laminated
- f) No interchangeable reader boards (message must be permanently affixed to sign)
- g) One sign will be allowed for each street frontage in the approved districts
- h) Permit will be valid only for the parcel where the sign is placed

- i) Permit number must be displayed/affixed conspicuously on the sign or its frame (\$10.00)
- j) Setbacks will be five (5) feet from all property lines and outside all sight triangles

### ***Sandwich Boards***

Permit Required: (Fee \$10.00)

Commercial zoned properties **ONLY**

Twenty (20) square foot (maximum size) per street front (principle structure greater than 30, 000 square feet)

Six (6) square foot(maximum size) per street front ( principle structure less than 30,000 square feet)

## **Section C- Article 5**

### ***Structure- Fireworks Stands***

- a) Permit Required: (Fee \$30.00)
- b) Temporary Use Permit-Permitted for a period not to exceed 30 days
- c) Electrical Permit must be applied for
- d) Zoning Districts-NC, LC, GC, HI or LI-W **ONLY**

- e) Tie Downs- Must be permanently affixed to the ground (as mobile home ties down)
- f) Setbacks- \*Front, sides and rear in accordance with the zoning districts (minimum side setback ten (10) feet)
- g) No display outside the structure are permitted
- h) Can only renew same structure once per calendar year

### ***Christmas Tree Lots***

- a) Permit Required- (Fee \$10.00)
- b) Zoning Districts-NC, GC, HI or LI-W
- c) Temporary Use Permit- Permitted for a period not to exceed 45 days
- d) Can only renew one time per calendar year

\*Front-the portion of property adjacent to street regardless of structure orientation

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## **BANNER-CITY-CONDITONAL USE**

*Permit-Conditional Use: (Fee\$25.00  
renewable annually)*

*Central Business District: (Fee\$10.00  
renewable annually)*

*The following conditions must be met for  
this permit:*

- a) The banner can not interfere with established sight triangles
- b) Conditional Use Permit will be annotated with the dates of (up to three (3) periods), for a maximum of ninety (90) days per calendar year.
- c) Permit will be available (at all times) for inspection at the location of the banner.
- d) Business may display only one (1) banner at a time
- e) Banner will be used for on-premises advertising **only**
- f) Banner must be displayed at least ten (10) feet from all property lines
- g) Banner must be in good repair at all times
- h) Maximum size: Sixty (60) square feet

## **BANNER-NON-PROFIT AND RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION (CITY/COUNTY)**

- a) Zoning administrator's approval
- b) City Manager/ County Administrator's Approval (depending upon jurisdiction)
- c) Permitted for a maximum of thirty (30) days
- d) Removed from location forty-eight (48) hours after the event has ended
- e) Permit required: No fee required, providing **banner is removed within forty-eight (48) of the end of the event**

### **Banner-County**

- a) Permitted for grand-openings only (seventy-two (72) hours)
- b) Maximum Size: fifty (50) square feet
- c) Permit required: (fee \$10.00)

**For more information please call:**

**Call 436-2519**